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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Steve Paboojian, Carlos Schuler and Andrew Clark

Application No.: 09/731,318

Group No.: 3761

Filed: 12/06/2000

Examiner: M. Mendoza

For: RECEPTACLES TO FACILITATE THE EXTRACTION OF POWDERS

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- The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for three months:

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2004 and is being filed within six months thereof with a request for a three month extension of time. The present amendment is being filed in accordance with revised rule 37 CFR 1.121. Thus, marked-up amendments to the claims and/or specification are provided and no clean versions of the amendments are provided.